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### AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 37, line 25, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Fig. 8 shows a data array in the storage element 80 incorporated in the color ink cartridge 107F attached to the ink jet printer 1 of the embodiment. Referring to Fig. 8, the memory cell 81 of the storage element 80 incorporated in the color ink cartridge 107F has a first storage area 650, in which read only data are stored, and a second storage area 660, in which rewritable data are stored. As also can be seen in Fig. 8, the first storage area 650 constitutes one half of the memory cell 81 and the second storage area 660 constitutes the other half of the memory cell 81. The printer main body 100 can only read the data stored in the first storage area 650, while enabling both reading and writing operations with regard to the data stored in the second storage area 660. The second storage area 660 is located at an address, which is accessed prior to the first storage area 650. Namely, the second storage area 660 has a lower address (that is, an address closer to the head) than that of the first storage area 650.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 54, line 26, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The following describes a memory cell 810 of the storage element 800 incorporated in the color ink cartridge 107F with ~~referring reference~~ to Fig. 19. The memory cell 810 has a first storage area 850, in which read only data are stored, and a second storage area

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860, in which rewritable data are stored. As also can be seen in Fig. 19, the first storage area 650 constitutes one half of the memory cell 81 and the second storage area 660 constitutes the other half of the memory cell 81. The printer main body 100 can only read the data stored in the first storage area 850, while enabling both reading and writing operations with regard to the data stored in the second storage area 860. The second storage area 860 is located at an address, which is accessed prior to the first storage area 850. Namely, the second storage area 860 has a lower address (that is, an address closer to the head) than that of the first storage area 850.